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Sir :

In response to the Final Office Action dated June 6, 2007, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on September 6, 2007, the period for response having been extended to expire on October 9, 2007 (October 6, 2007 falling on a Saturday and October 8, 2007 falling on a Federal holiday) by the Request for (one-month) Extension of Time submitted concurrently herewith, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection in view of the herein-contained remarks and the attached Terminal Disclaimer.

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Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

A Terminal Disclaimer is attached hereto.